

NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND

TITLE II-A IMPROVING TEACHER QUALITY



LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCY APPLICATION NCLB SECTION 2122

* Application based on local needs assessment

- * Needs assessment includes
 - Student achievement data
 - Instructional staff needs
 - Leadership staff needs
- * Results of needs assessment



Professional Development Activities

*Planned activities

- Result from needs assessment
- Aligned with State academic standards
- Based on scientifically based research
- Expected to improve academic achievement
- Eliminate achievement gaps



FUNDING TO SCHOOLS

*With lowest proportion of highly qualified teachers

★Having largest average class size

*Identified for Title I school improvement



COORDINATION

- **★Other Federal Programs**
 - Title I-A
 - Title II-D
 - Title V-A
- **★**State Programs
 - Early Childhood
- *Local Programs
 - Private Grants



MEETING NEEDS

- **★** Description of activities available to
 - Principals
 - Assistant principals
 - Teachers
 - Paraprofessionals

*Ensure activities meet needs



COLLABORATION

- **★PD Plan based on input from**
 - LEA
 - Teachers
 - Paraprofessionals
 - Principals
 - Parents



TEACH & ADDRESS NEEDS

- **★Training to enable teachers of students**with
 - Different learning styles
 - Disabilities
 - Special learning needs
 - Limited English proficiency



ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

★Improve student behavior

★Involve parents in their child's education

★Understand and use data and assessments to improve classroom practice and student learning



PRIVATE SCHOOLS

- *Notification of funding
- **★Timely and meaningful consultation**
- *Documentation
- *Equitable participation



LOCAL USE OF FUNDS NCLB SECTION 2123

- * Recruiting teachers
- * Recruiting principals
- * Recruiting specialists
- * Retaining teachers
- Induction programs in first three years
- * Provide core subject knowledge

- Providing incentives, differential pay, scholarships
- * Teacher mentoring Reducing class size
- * Improve quality of principals and superintendents



DEFINITION OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TITLE IX-PART A-SECTION 9101 (34)

- *Activities that improve/increase teachers' knowledge of academic subjects;
- * Are an integral part of school or LEA improvement plan;
- **★**Give teachers, principals and administrators knowledge and skills to assist students meet State academic standards



- *Activities that improve classroom management skills;
- *Are high quality, sustained, intensive and classroom-focused;
- *Are not one-day or short-term workshops or conferences;
- **★** Support recruiting, hiring and training of highly qualified teachers;



- *Advance teacher understanding of effective instructional strategies;
- *Based on scientific research;
- **★**Developed with participation of teachers, principals, parents and administrators;
- ★Provide training in the use of technology to improve teaching and learning;



- ★Designed to give teachers of limited English proficient children knowledge and skills to provide instruction
- *Are regularly evaluated for improved student academic achievement;
- *Findings of evaluation used to improve quality of professional development;



- ★Provide instruction in methods of teaching children with special needs;
- ★Include instruction in use of data and assessments to informs and instruct classroom practice;
- **★**Provide instruction in ways to work more effectively with parents;



- *Involve forming partnerships with institutions of higher education for teacher education programs;
- ★ Create programs for paraprofessionals to obtain education to enable them to become certified teachers; and
- *Provide follow-up to ensure classroom implementation.



Regional Support Centers A Brief History...

- ★Revised state statute (spring 2002) strengthens the role of the County Office of School Superintendents as an Educational Service Provider
- *Arizona Department of Education and County School Superintendents collaborate to form a stronger partnership in statewide efforts to raise achievement



Regional Support Centers

- ***Provide an infrastructure for systemic reform**
- ★Provide professional development, support and assistance to schools that are consistent in quality and locally accessible
- ★Provide a systematic network to disseminate information and improve communication



Regional Support Centers

- * Benefits: Leave no child behind and no teacher unsupported
 - State
 - A system in place statewide to unify efforts and reduce fragmentation
 - County
 - An opportunity to address and coordinate regional needs
 - Districts and Schools
 - An opportunity to leverage resources and access local support



Two Areas of Focus

* Reading

- AZ READS
 - Readiness
 - Early Diagnosis and Intervention
 - Accountability
 - **D**evelopment of Teacher Expertise
 - Support
- New legislation
- Newly ArticulatedStandards
- Reading First

* Mathematics

- Newly ArticulatedStandards
- High need for professional development
- Math-Science Regional
 Support Centers/K-12
 Center
- Potential federal funding sources



Regional Support Centers

* Reading

- Reading First funds
 support a cadre of Reading
 Specialists, at least one in
 each county in the state
- Highly trained in SBRR,
 these specialists will
 provide assistance to RF
 schools, then local schools

***** Mathematics

- Title IIA funds support a cadre of Mathematics
 Specialists, at least one in each county in the state
- Highly trained in SBRR, these specialists will provide assistance to high need schools in mathematics, and eventually science



It takes a village to raise a child...

* Priorities

- Opportunity to learn: implementing the new Mathematics and Reading Standards
 Articulated by Grade Level
- Using data to make instructional decisions
- Designing school improvement plans targeted to that data
- Aligning all activities with school improvement goals



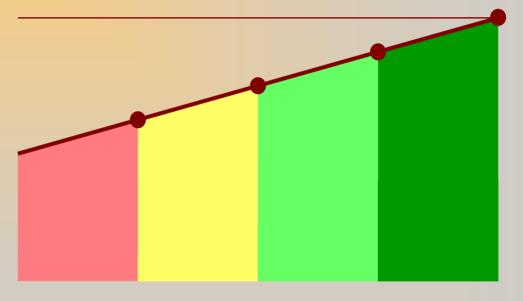
How can we use assessments to drive instruction?

- **Outcome** Assessments that provide a bottom-line evaluation of the effectiveness of the reading program.
- * Screening Assessments that are administered to determine which children are at risk for reading difficulty and who will need additional intervention.
- **★ Diagnosis** Assessments that help teachers plan instruction by providing in-depth information about students' skills and instructional needs.
- * Progress Monitoring Assessments that determine if students are making adequate progress or need more intervention to achieve grade level reading outcomes



A Standards Based System

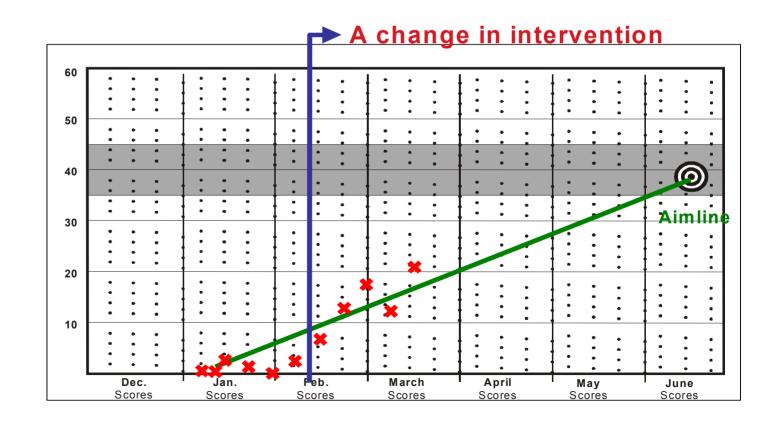
The goal



Grade Levels



Progress Monitoring: The Teacher's Map





Making Every Minute Count!

- **★Using what** *evidence* tells us works most effectively
- Working collaboratively to maximize our efforts
- *Building systems to support change



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